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REMARKS

The undersigned requests a personal interview with the Examiner in charge of this application before the application is re-examined.

Claim 1 was objected to as being informal. The Examiner's suggestion for correcting the informality has been adopted.

Claims 1-2 were rejected as being unpatentable over Pieczynski in view of Reed.

Claim 6 was rejected as being unpatentable over the above references and further in view of Dury.

Claim 10 was rejected as being unpatentable over all of the above references and further in view of Dowling.

Claims 13 and 15 were rejected as being unpatentable over all of the above references and further in view of Bailey.

Pieczynski discloses an ice fishing tip-up display similar to that of the present invention, with a number of significant differences including that there is no teaching or suggestion for the use of an RF transmitter.

Reed has fish detection system in which a float is employed with an RF transmitter. The Examiner suggests that it would be obvious to incorporate the RF transmitter into Pieczynski's apparatus. The only problem is there is no teaching or suggestion of how or where to incorporate the RF transmitter. That teaching can only come from the present application.

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Dury shows a weather insulated tip-up light mounting and was cited for the light socket.

Dowling teaches that LED's are known in the art and was cited for the use of an LED.

Bailey discloses a fishing device and was cited for suggestion of running the electrical wires through the flag pole. Actually, in Bailey there is a stationary lamp (which would be called a floor lamp if used indoors) and the tilt apparatus is mounted on the pole of the lamp. In the present invention, the flag pole swivels from a horizontal position to a vertical position when a catch is detected. It is not clear that this reference is an adequate teaching for running the electrical wires through the movable pole of the primary reference.

To overcome the grounds of rejection set forth by the Examiner and attempt to move the prosecution to a successful conclusion, claim 1 has been amended to recite details of the light assembly which includes the shape of the top cover, the circuit board, the RF transmitter, the light mounted on the circuit board, and the manner in which the antenna is mounted within the top cover (see pages 31 and 32 of the specification and Figs. 5 and 6). It is believed that this configuration is clearly not taught or suggested in any of the art or combination thereof cited by the Examiner.

Claim 6 has been canceled.

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It is believed that independent claim 1 in its present form along with the few depending claims 2, 10, 13 and 15 clearly distinguish from the above art and should be allowed.

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned or Mr. Kroll if further changes are required to obtain allowance of the application.

A favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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